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## NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL TO BE ACTIVATED

On Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 10:45AM, the City of Charleston activated a new traffic signal at the intersection of S.C. Highway 61 (Ashley River Road) and Wallace School Road. This signal was made possible by the hard work and coordinated efforts between the Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary School, the City of Charleston's Department of Traffic and Transportation, and the South Carolina Department of Transportation

Wallace School Road serves as the main entrance and exit to Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary School, a school with over 500 students, staff, and faculty as well as several businesses in the area. Due to the high traffic volume, parents of the school children, businesses, and neighbors often find negotiating this intersection both difficult and unsafe. Motorists often find it difficult to enter onto and exit from Wallace School Road.

The new signal will be incorporated into the City's existing traffic signal system in order to maintain coordination and efficient traffic flow. Drivers should observe caution as they drive through the area when the new signal is activated. The signal has been in flashing mode since August 25, 2009 and will go into full activation on September 2, 2009.

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